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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR NEW PASSPORTS FOR AUB PARTICIPANTS

REF: BEIRUT 2828 (NOTAL)

1. IN RESPONSE TO EMBASSY'S INQUIRY ON STATUS AUB PARTICIPANT'S REQUESTS FOR NEW PASSPORTS, MALDIVIAN EMBASSY HAS TOLD US GOM MAY WISH TO CANCEL CURRENT PROGRAM AT AUB FOR MALDIVIAN STUDENTS BECAUSE OF "INTERNAL POLITICAL SITUATION" IN LEBANON.

2. WE DO NOT KNOW WHY GOM APPEARS SO CONCERNED OVER SITUATION IN LEBANON; HOWEVER, IT DID DECLINE TO NOMINATE NEW PARTICIPANTS LAST FALL (COLOMBO 2398 SEPT 73). EMBASSY BELIEVES FIRST STEP IN CLARIFYING SITUATION SHOULD BE ASSESSMENT BY EMBASSY BEIRUT AS TO WHETHER OR NOT ATTENDANCE AT AUB POSES SOME THREAT OR SPECIAL PROBLEM TO MALDIVIAN STUDENTS OR GOM. IF THERE IS NO THREAT, OR UNUSUAL PROBLEM, WE WOULD PROPOSE GOING BACK TO GOM WITH FACTUAL REPORT ON SITUATION IN LEBANON AND ASK IF IT WOULD RECONSIDER ITS POSITION ON CONTINUING AUBPROGRAM WHICH WE BELIEVE HAS BEEN VERY USEFUL AND SUCCESSFUL. WE CAN HOLD OUT NO HOPE, HOWEVER, THAT GOM WILL CHANGE ITS MIND.

3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE COMMENTS FROM BEIRUT SOONEST.

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4. WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED NEW PASSPORT FOR MOHAMED HAMEED AND

WILL FORWARD BY NEXT AVAILABLE POUCH.
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